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The Honorable Les Aspin  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

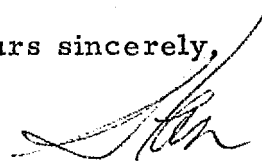
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Let me assure you that I will advise you of our decision regarding an unclassified version of the report.

Yours sincerely,



STANSFIELD TURNER  
Admiral, U. S. Navy

*P.S. My personal investigation indicates that the "unclassified" version to which you refer was classified Secret, but proposed for declassification. It was not declassified (judgment call with which I concur) but we are looking again to see if it can be declassified to make it both unclassified & meaningful*

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March 1, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act as amended (5 U.S.C. 552).

I am writing to request a copy of the unclassified version of the recent intelligence community report on the Soviet civil defense program. As I understand the situation, such a version was prepared by analysts within the CIA but was not released publicly as originally planned.

There has been a flood of conflicting and misleading claims in this area. Any information that could be provided publicly by a credible authority--even if tentatively offered with a clear explication of the uncertainties involved--would greatly elevate the current level of debate and would be inordinately useful.

As provided for in the amended act, I would expected to receive a reply within ten working days.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress

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